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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby direct the Examiner's attention to the following information, which includes documents cited in the International Preliminary Report on Patentability and its Written Opinion (PCT/ISA/237), and the International Search Report (in English and German) for International Application No. PCT/EP05/50253, of which the above-referenced application claims priority. For the Examiner's convenience, a translation of the Written Opinion is attached. In particular, the International Examiner cited:

- (1) European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 285 886 A1, published October 12, 1988. For the Examiner's convenience, an English language abstract is attached;
 - (2) U.S. Patent No. 3,700,217 (RAUSKOLB), issued October 24, 1972; and
- (3) German Patent Application Publication No. DE 197 26 645 A1, published December 24, 1998. For the Examiner's convenience, an English language abstract is attached.

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Applicants further direct the Examiner's attention to the following information cited in a German Search Report dated August 9, 2005, with regard to counterpart German Patent Application No. 10 2004 006 514.4. In particular, the German Examiner cited:

- (4) German Patent Application Publication No. DE 37 12 203 C1, published September 8, 1988. This document is categorized in the German Search Report as a "Y" document, i.e., as particularly relevant when considered with another document from this category, with regard to Claims 1, 5, 9, 12, 13, 17, 18, 20, 22-26, 30, 34, 37, 38, 42, 43, 45, and 47-50 of the German Application, with references made to Figure 2 and Claim 1 of the cited document. Further, Applicant notes European Patent No. EP 0 285 885 B1, issued March 19, 1988 which is identified on its Face as an English language family member;
- (5) German Patent Application Publication No. DE 35 09 104 C2, issued July 13, 1989. This document is categorized in the German Search Report as a "Y" document with regard to Claims 1, 5, 9, 12, 13, 17, 18, 20, 22-26, 30, 34, 37, 38, 42, 43, 45, and 47-50 of the German Application, with references made to Figure 1 and Claim 1 of the cited document. Further, Applicant notes U.S. Patent No. 4,774,747 (KURSCHATKE), issued October 4, 1988, which is identified on its Face as a U.S. Patent family member;
- (6) German Patent Application Publication No. DE 199 11 963 A1, published October 7, 1999. This document is categorized in the German Search Report as a "Y" document, with regard to Claims 1 and 26 of the German Application, with references made to Figures 1 and 2 of the cited document. Further, Applicant notes U.S. Patent No. 6,289,797 B1 (IJÄS), issued September 18, 2001, which is identified on its face as a U.S. Patent family member;
- (7) German Patent Application Publication No. DE 199 12 430 A1, published October 10, 1996. Applicant notes that this document is categorized in the German Search Report as a

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"Y" document with regard to Claims 1-4, 6, 21, 28, 27-29, 31, and 53 of the German Application, with references made to Claims 1-11 of the cited document. Further, Applicant notes U.S. Patent No. 5,842,851 (PIVOT), issued December 1, 1998, which is identified on its face as a U.S. Patent family member;

- (8) German Patent Application Publication No. DE 296 14 264 U1, published February 5, 1998. This document is categorized in the German Search Report as a "Y" document with regard to Claims 1 and 26 of the German Application, with reference made to Figure 1 of the cited document. Further, Applicant notes U.S. Patent No. 6,100,508 (KUBIK), issued August 8, 2000, which is identified on its face as a U.S. Patent family member;
- (9) German Patent Application Publication No. DE 696 17 822 T2, published August 14, 2002. This document is categorized in the German Search Report as a "Y" document with regard to Claims 1-4, 21, 26-29, 31, and 53 of the German Application, with references made to Figure 1 and Claims 1-8 of the cited document. Further, Applicant notes U.S. Patent No. 5,586,877 (CHARMES), issued December 24, 1996, which is identified on its face as a U.S. Patent family member; and
- (10) German Patent Application Publication No. DE 693 08 122 T2, published September 25, 1997, together with patent family member EP 0 607 720. This document is categorized in the German Search Report as a "Y" document with regard to Claims 1 and 26 of the German Application, with reference made to Figure 1 of the cited document. Further, Applicant notes European Patent No. EP 0 607 720 B1, issued December 17, 1993, which is identified on its Face as an English language family member.

Copies of the above-cited documents (with the exception of the U.S. Patents) and the Search Report for German Patent Application No. 10 2004 006 541.4 are enclosed together with

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a completed copy of the PTO-1449 Form listing the cited documents. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to consider these documents and to indicate such consideration by returning a signed and initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form with the next official communication.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to partially waive the requirements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2)(i) and (iii), copies of the U.S. Patents cited above are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not yet issued in the instant application, and thus, no fee is necessary to ensure consideration of this statement. However, if an Office Action has issued and is crossing in the mail with this statement, the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0089 any fee necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted materials.

If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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